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The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"Government will, of course, most carefully scrutinize any scheme that may come up before them; but they cannot undertake that they will examine this particular question or that."

Mr. M. S. Sreshta:—"Have not other communities also objected to that scheme?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"Oh, yes."

Khan Bahadur Mahmud Schamnad Sahib Bahadur:—"May I know whether any orders have been passed upon the recommendations of the Muslim Education Committee?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—"Yes, in regard to some portions; in regard to others, no orders have yet been passed."

Provision of a dining hall to the Madrasa-i-Azam and Muhammadan College.

* 529 *Q.*—Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government are aware that there is no dining hall for the students of the Government Madrasa-i-Azam and Muhammadan College; and

(*b*) whether any arrangement has been made for providing them with sufficiently large dining rooms in the new buildings?

A.—The new hostel buildings which are nearing completion will provide dining accommodation for those students living in the hostel.

It is also proposed to provide tiffin rooms for the day students at the College, but plans and estimates for these rooms have not yet been finally sanctioned.

After the buildings now occupied by the College are handed back to the school, it is hoped to provide suitable dining accommodation for the students of the Madrasa-i-Azam.

Measures for the employment of qualified hands in the training schools for Muslim women.

* 530 *Q.*—S. M. K. Beyabani Sahib Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state what steps the Government are taking to supply qualified hands to the training schools for Muslim women?

A.—Qualified Muslim women, when available, are posted to the schools referred to. If they are not available, non-Muslim women teachers with the required qualifications are posted.

The statutory rules relating to the Madras Educational Service and the Madras Educational Subordinate Service have been amended recently so as to make it clear that qualified and suitable candidates belonging to the Muslim community shall, if available, be selected for appointment as teachers in schools intended for Muslims.

Teaching staff of the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women, Kurnool.

* 531 *Q.*—S. M. K. BEYABANI SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of secondary grade posts sanctioned for the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women at Kurnool;

(*b*) how many are working at present and what their qualifications are;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that one post has recently been reduced; if so, what the reasons are;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that a full-blown higher grade elementary school with eighth standard is attached to the Training school;

(*e*) whether it is a fact that lower grade elementary trained teachers are teaching in the higher standards; and

(*f*) whether the Government have taken any steps to secure the services of qualified teachers for the above school?

A.—(*a*) Ten.

(*b*) Nine teachers. One is a secondary grade trained teacher, three are trained teachers of the higher elementary grade and four of the lower elementary grade and one is a combined drawing and sewing mistress who has passed the Government technical examination in embroidery in the intermediate grade and who possesses also the trained teacher's certificate of the lower elementary grade.

(*c*) The post of physical training instructress is left unfilled as there is no qualified lady available.

(*d*) & (*e*) Yes.

(*f*) Yes. Muhammadan women teachers with the prescribed qualifications are not available.

Inadequacy of the conveyance facilities provided to pupils by the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women, Bellary.

* 532 *Q.*—S. M. K. BEYABANI SAHIB Bahadur: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a higher grade elementary girls' school is attached to the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women in Cowl Bazaar at Bellary;